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PRODUCTS

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22231-1450

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In regard to the above-identified application:

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICIAL ACTION
MAILED FEBRUARY 9, 2005

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Responsive to the Official Action mailed February 9, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending claims in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Status of the Claims in the application

Claim 15, as herein amended, claims 3, 4, and 7, as previously amended, and claims 1 and 8-14 as filed are pending in the application. The grounds of rejection in the Official Action have been overcome by amendment.

Applicants note that the Examiner has indicated that claims 16-23 would be rejoined provided that the patentability of pending claims 1, 3, 4 and 7-15 is acknowledged. Accordingly, Applicants have amended these claims to comply with the amendments made in the claims currently under examination.